GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3874
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VIOLENCE IN J K
GANGASANDRA SIDDAPPA BASAVARAJ

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether an expert from UN Commission on Human Rights has urged India and Pakistan to investigate the recent outbreak of violence in J&K; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS(SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA)

(a) & (b) The Special Rapporteur of the UN Commission on Human Rights on Extrajudicial, Summary or Arbitrary Executions, Ms. Asma Jahangir, a Pakistani national, had called upon the Governments of India and Pakistan, through a letter dated 14 August 2000, to have the killings of the pilgrims to Amarnath in the first week of August 2000, investigated by a high-level independent enquiry.